

DETAILED CLAIM LISTING

The following is a detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, pending in the present application. Please cancel claims 2-3 and amend claim 1 as set forth in this detailed listing. Claims 11-12 were previously withdrawn.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of treating a target plant to confer stress tolerance comprising inoculating said plant or a part of said plant with a culture of *Curvularia* isolate 1A15.1, deposit number NRRL 30910, wherein said stress tolerance is chosen from the group consisting of thermal tolerance and drought tolerance.
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Original) A method of treating a plant according to claim 1 wherein said plant is a monocot or said plant part is from a monocot.
5. (Original) A method of treating a plant according to claim 4 wherein said monocot is a grass.
6. (Original) A method of treating a plant according to claim 4 wherein said monocot is a wheat.
7. (Original) A method of treating a plant according to claim 1 wherein said plant is a dicot or said plant part is from a dicot.
8. (Original) A method of treating a plant according to claim 7 wherein said dicot is a eudicot.
9. (Original) A method of treating a plant according to claim 1 wherein said plant part is a seed.
10. (Previously Amended) A method of treating a plant according to claim 1 wherein said plant is a seedling.

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11. (Withdrawn) A method of treating a target plant to confer growth enhancement comprising inoculating said plant or a part of said plant with a culture of *Curvularia*.

12. (Withdrawn) A composition comprising a pure culture of *Curvularia*.